



Statement of Permit Conditions

Permit applicants are required to follow and obey all applicable provisions of the Washington Clean Air Act, RCW 70.94 and WAC 173-430 Agricultural Burning.

The Applicant, if granted a permit, agrees to comply with the following conditions and any additional conditions contained in a permit or other application for permit

- 1. No burning during adverse weather conditions .**
 - You must call the Agricultural Burning Hotline at 1-800-406-5322 prior to burning.** If the message for your area states that it is a no-burn day, you may not legally burn. If the message says it is a burn day, you must still comply with your local fire protection agency’s decision if it determines it is a no-burn day. Compliance with burn bans put into effect by another department/county/city is a specific condition of this permit. The grower and the local fire department are responsible for fire safety.
 - Do not burn after or before the listed burn hours on the Ag Burn Hotline .** Do not burn before the earliest stated time. Fires must be completely out by the listed ending time. Burning after dark is *not* allowed.
- 2. Burn only when smoke will be carried away from neighboring homes, roads, population centers or public areas.** All growers burning under the agricultural burning permit program must very carefully consider where upper level and ground level winds will carry the smoke from his/her controlled burn. Regulations implementing the state Clean Air Act state that the grower must burn only when:
 - “Wind takes the smoke away from roads, homes, population centers, or other public areas, to the greatest extent possible.” (WAC 173-430-070)
 - “No person shall cause or permit the emission of any air contaminant from any source if it is detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of any person, or causes damage to property or business.” [WAC 173-400-040(5)]It is also the growers responsibility to not burn when high surface winds will not allow the smoke to rise. As a general rule, many experts suggest that if it is too windy to spray- it is too windy to burn.
- 3. If you are demonstrating necessity to burn by use of a Best Management Practice, you certify that you have read and understand and will follow the Best Management Practices specific to this type of burning and believe the proposed burning is reasonably necessary and no practical alternative exists.**
- 4. Burn only natural vegetation.** No burning of garbage, dead animals, asphalt, petroleum products, paints, rubber products, plastics, paper, cardboard, lumber, construction, or demolition debris, metal or any substance (other than natural vegetation) that normally releases toxic emissions, dense smoke, or obnoxious odors when burned. (WAC 173-425-050)
- 5. Consider protection of wildlife areas by timing of the burn or other appropriate measure.** Generally, wildlife areas may include tree and shrub areas, riparian areas with trees and shrubs, woodlands, eyebrows with dense tree and shrub cover and CRP stands.
- 6. Attend the fire at all times.**
- 7. Keep a burn permit at the burn site while burning is being conducted.**
- 8. Submit a post-burn report within 7 days of the burn to the permitting authority.** The report shall include: Grower’s name, permit number, county, acres burned, burn date, legal description, time burn ignited, time the burn is out, surface wind direction and speed when the fire is ignited and throughout the duration of the burn.
- 9. You certify that you are a verified commercial agricultural operation as defined in WAC 173-430.**
- 10. You agree to grant the Department of Ecology (Ecology) or their duly authorized representatives access to the acreage listed on any agricultural burning permit, including those private roads or access ways under your control that are required to obtain access to the listed acreage for the purpose of investigating conditions specific to any agricultural burning permit issued by the Ecology or a delegated permitting authority. To the extent reasonable and consistent with carrying out the duties of the agricultural burning permitting program you will be notified and given the option to accompany Ecology, or their duly authorized representatives, when accessing your property.**

I have read and understand and agree to abide by the conditions above and those contained in the permit.

Signature _____ **Date** _____
Printed name _____

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